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Dear Mr. Miller,

I can help you but with regard to several documents, not in the way you'd prefer, as I explain. I'm sorry that Livingstone, who knows, did not inform you. I'm almost 78, my health is seriously imparied, I'm recovering from open-heart surgery, and I can't stand still in front of file cabinets for any degree of searching.But you can get all that you request from the Assassinations Archive and Record Center, 910 F St., NW #510, Washington 20004. You can get the documents from the National Archives but they charge quite a bit per page. I suggest you ask AARC first.

I do not have the report in your first paragraph. I read it at the archives. Lifton's interpretation is typical of him and his work. There is not a bit of "extraordinary information in it." All FBI reports conclude with such descriptions. And there is nothing in that report reflecting any suspicion at all of Greer. As a matter of historical record I'd appreciate a copy of his form letter response and what he is selling. I've heard from between 15 and 20,000 people and I've answered all. And, as you can see, I'm taking time to try to help you. Lifton is Lifton and fortunately there is only one of him!

The letter, not memo, from Hoover to Rowley I do have but do not recall what file it is in. You should use the date in requesting it, November 23, 1963. It is six pages long. You have been misled into believing that the FBI agents concluded that the voice on the tape is not Oswald's. What Hoover said is that Agents who knew Oswald listened to the tape and looked at pictures the CIA had taken in Mexico City, both, for your information flown up late 11/22, but Hoover does not say that it was on the basis of the voice that negative identification was made. It could have been from the pictures and if they are tthose given to the Commission they obviously do not show Oswald.

With regard to the alleged Mexico City imposter AARC has what the Archives does not have. I know of no real reason to conclude that it was not Oswald who went to Mexico City but there were imposters. I began to go into them in my first book. (I enclose a list in the event you are interested in any.) Bud Fensterwald, whose archive AARC is, was here and copied all I have. The House Select Committee on Assassinations also went into the destructions but they did not really investigate that or anything else. There were newspaper stories that I'm sure AARC has.

Your requests are not in any way out of line. People should care, should be interested, and those of us who can inform them should make the effort. I'm sorry I can not do more to help you. But I add an unsolicited caution: be careful of books like Lifton's that pretend to solve the crime. They rip the mind off while they rip off the pocket. The great additional tragedy is that the government never investigated and never intended to investigate the crime itself. So there are no real lead from the investigative records to follow. I've gotten close to 60 file cabinets of such records, rather mostly of them, and they will all be a public archive at local Hood College.

I am without doubt that AARC will help you. But while I'm writing you, in the event that at some point you want something from the National Archives, just write and ask for it, with a description that makes its identification possible (they can't do research for you), as what it will cost and then send them a check. You can do the same thing with the FBI for records it has already disclosed. If disclosed you do not have to file under FOIA.

Sincerely, HW

Harold Weisberg